

## **DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As the inventor named below, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the sole original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COLLECTING AND/OR SEPARATING SOLIDS FROM LIQUIDS**", the specification of which is described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/AU2004/001282 filed on 21 September 2004.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims thereof.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56(a);

I hereby claim the foreign priority benefits under 35 USC 119 or 365(b) of any foreign application (s) for patent or inventor's certificate or 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

### **Prior Foreign Application(s)**

<u>Application number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Day/Month/Year filed</u>
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that the making of willful false statements or the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 USC 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: I hereby appoint Charles Winston Fallow, Reg. No. 28,946, and Allen P. Rosenberg, Reg. No. 24,946 as my attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Send

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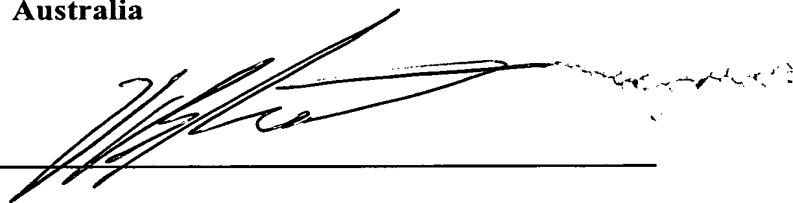
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